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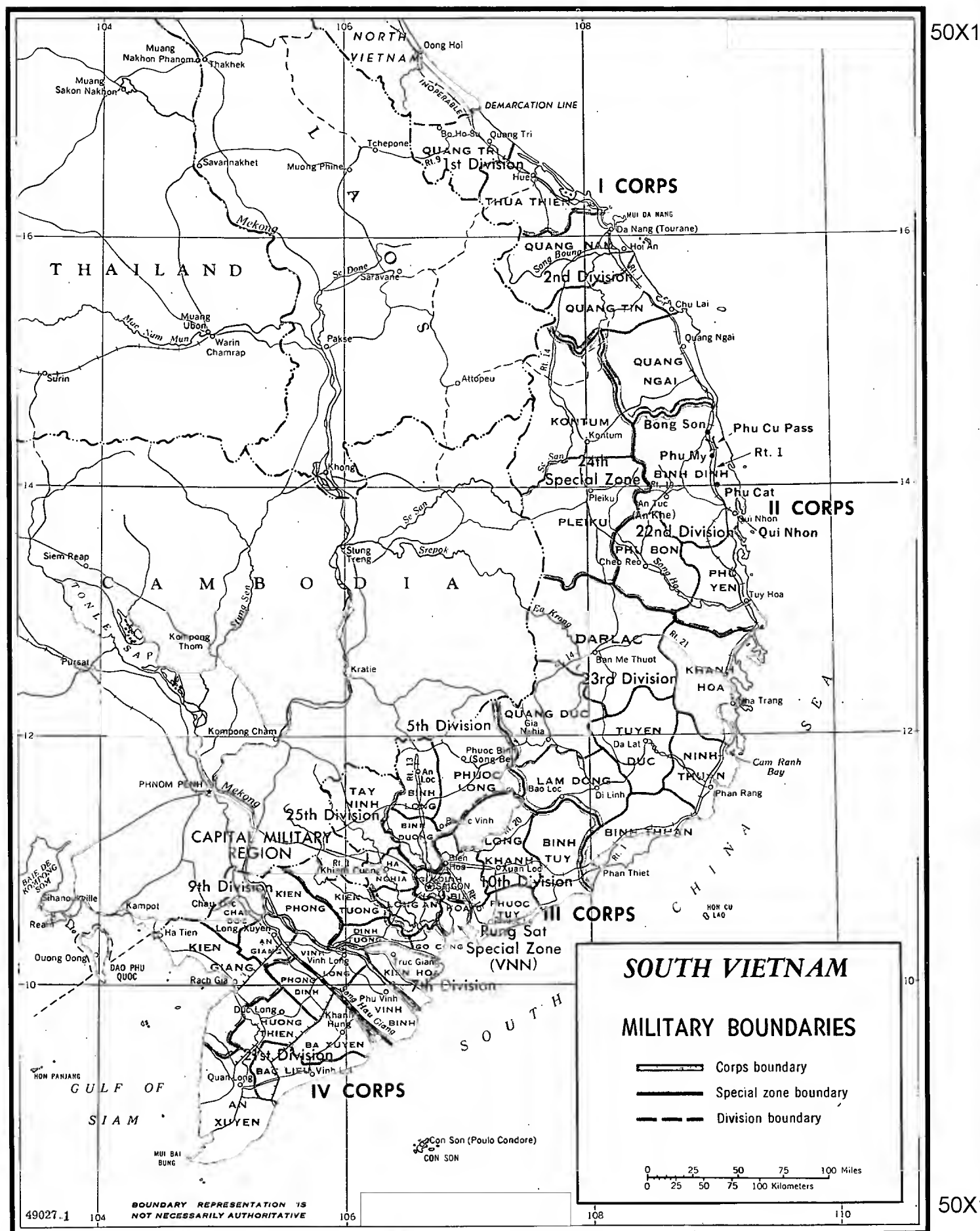
THE PRESIDENT'S DAILY BRIEF



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1. India-Pakistan

U Thant says that the Soviet Union is cool to the idea of a four-power committee to assist him in bringing peace between India and Pakistan. The French and British have responded favorably to the proposal.

The Pakistanis have complained today about another Indian attack, this one on the Rajasthan-Sind border, south of the main scene of previous actions. A United Nations observer has told our embassy in Rawalpindi that the Indians in fact are exerting considerable pressure on the Pakistani positions.

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2. South Vietnam

A large government search operation near Phu Cu Pass in Binh Dinh Province has failed to re-establish contact with the three Viet Cong regiments believed to be in this area.

The quickening tempo of Viet Cong activity, evident over the past week or so, has cost the Communists heavily. Viet Cong casualties last week were more numerous than in any other week since the insurgency began. Over 1,250 were killed, most of them by air action when an enemy regiment was caught in the open.

In Saigon, Premier Ky is to announce tomorrow long-pending changes in cabinet and military posts. Most important among them is the designation of Minister of War Co as a deputy prime minister with overall responsibility for reinvigorating the pacification program. (See map.)

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3. South Africa

The South Africans are pushing projects to defend their "white redoubt" against black African nationalism.

The most physically impressive of these projects are five new airfields, four of them in the northern portion of sparsely inhabited South-West Africa (see map). All of these fields are over 7,000 feet long, paved, and due to be completed within the next few months.

The South Africans insist that these fields are for civil use, but their location and size make this extremely doubtful. The fields could be used not only to defend South African territory, but also to bring help to Rhodesia or the Portuguese.

4. Congo

Colonel Hoare's offensive to clean out the last rebel stronghold in eastern Congo is in its fifth day.

Hoare has taken his initial objective, but the rebels

have fought stubbornly.

A rebel counterthrust against Albertville, the government's main base in the area, is still a possibility. (See map.)

5. Rhodesia

Ambassador Goldberg at the United Nations observes that the question of Rhodesian independence is one of the issues on which feeling runs most deeply among African and Asian delegates. He fears their reaction may be even more emotional than has been generally anticipated if the Rhodesian whites unilaterally declare themselves independent of Great Britain.

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6. USSR

Our defense attaché in Moscow has observed a new type of missile at one of the early-model surface-to-air missile sites which form a double ring around the city.

This sighting falls in with satellite photography which has revealed large new electronic installations at five sites on the outer ring as well as the addition of large revetments at most of the sites, including the one where the new missiles were seen. 50X1

7. Dominican Republic

[redacted] extreme leftist groups are planning terrorist attacks on US installations and personnel soon. [redacted] 50X1

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We now believe such terrorism to be a serious possibility.

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